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Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Restriction Requirement, mailed June 26, 2006, in connection with the above application, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-3, 5, 6, 11-13, 23-26, 29, 30, and 33-56, as they relate to *in vivo* methods of promoting growth, differentiation, or survival of a neuronal cell. Applicants traverse this requirement because a search of both groups simultaneously would not substantially increase the burden on the examiner.

Regarding the election of species, Applicants elect, for search purposes only, neuronal damage resulting from anoxia-ischemia. All of the pending claims read on the elected species.

The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned at 617-951-7000. Should an extension of time be required, Applicants hereby petition for same and

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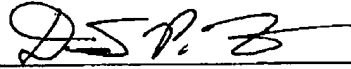
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request that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this submission be charged to **Deposit Account No. 18-1945.**

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